

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as indicated below:

1. (Amended) A method for the treatment of a T cell-mediated or T cell-dependent autoimmune disease by suppressing an autoimmune response associated with said disease in a human suffering from said [autoimmune] disease said method comprising orally or enterally administering to said human at least one antigen in an amount effective to suppress autoimmune response associated with said autoimmune disease, said antigen selected from the group consisting of: (i) an autoantigen specific for said autoimmune disease; and (ii) an autoimmune response-suppressive fragment of said autoantigen, in an amount effective to suppress autoimmune response associated with said autoimmune disease,] said suppression comprising elicitation of suppressor T cells specific to said administered antigen.

20. (Amended) A method of treating a T cell-mediated or T cell-dependent autoimmune disease by suppressing an autoimmune response associated with said disease in a human suffering from said [autoimmune] disease said method comprising orally or enterally administering to said human at least one antigen in an amount effective to suppress an autoimmune response associated with said autoimmune disease, said antigen selected from the group consisting of: (i) autoantigens specific for said autoimmune disease; and (ii) autoimmune response-suppressive fragments of said